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U.N. COMMITTEE OK'S BARUCH ATOM PLAN *Soviet and Poland Abstain; Charge UN Unity Is Undermined*

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Japanese Labor Protest: Hundreds of thousands of Japanese workers gather before the Imperial Palace in Tokyo to protest against the Yoshida Cabinet and policies which have been foisted on the country by Gen. MacArthur.

Killing Portal Pay 1st On Congress Program

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Brooklyn CP Gets 5,000 Subs

Brooklyn sub-getters for The Worker have been showing their heels to other counties in the subscription drive by coming up with 5,000 subs in the past 30 days, it was announced yesterday.

In the lead in Kings County is the 24th A.D. section, with more than 83 percent of its goal completed, and not far behind is the 6th A.D. Running close in third and fourth place are Boro Park and Williamsburg.

The county is out for 10,000 subs within eight weeks.

The Brooklyn County Committee of the Communist Party has made 250 subs available for Southern sharecroppers, and City Councilman Peter V. Cacchi-one has come up with a special gift of 500 subs, to go to Brooklyn workers in basic industry.

Kings County sub-raisers plan to present Eugene Dennis, CP general secretary, with 7,500 subs at a meeting Saturday, January 11, 1 p.m., at the Livingstone, Schermerhorn and Nevins Streets, where Dennis will speak on, "What Next for the Communist Party?"

(See back page for standings of Kings County sections in the subscription drive).



Train Wreck: Workmen are shown clearing up the wreckage after a locomotive, a tender and one car of a New York-bound Long Island train plunged off a trestle near Medford Station, N. Y. Eight were injured and some 75 shaken up. The rails were reported to have been dislocated shortly before the accident by a trailer truck, carrying a bulldozer, which damaged the supports of the trestle.

WORLD EVENTS

UN Body Adopts Baruch Atom Plan

By Joseph Clark

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Dec. 30. — The United Nations Atomic Energy Commission adopted the Baruch plan for control of atomic energy today in a report to be submitted to the Security Council. The vote was 10 in favor, none against, with the Soviet Union and Poland abstaining.

Russia's Andrei Gromyko, first speaker in today's discussion, declared that the Baruch plan does not conform either with the General Assembly disarmament resolution or the charter of the United Nations in at least two respects:

1. While the General Assembly called for a system of international control of atomic energy "within the framework of the Security Council," the Baruch plan

pared for the commission by its working committee.

While the veto question had the center of the stage in the dispute between the U. S. and Soviet representatives, another long-standing difference emerged.

At the very end of his 25-minute speech Gromyko suggested, along with an item by item discussion of the Baruch plan, that the commission take up the Soviet proposal for a draft convention prohibiting atomic weapons, as originally presented on June 19.

The Soviet proposal of June 19 called for the destruction of all existing stocks of atom bombs within three months of the adoption of the treaty.

While the Baruch plan calls for "disposal" of existing stocks of bombs, it does not specifically provide for their destruction. On the contrary, it empowers the international authority to conduct work on and control atomic weapons.

END BOMBS

The Russians believe international controls and a system of inspection without any veto on its daily activity, must include elimination of atomic bombs.

The working committee which prepared the report under discussion today noted that agreement had been reached on the draft except for two paragraphs, both containing reference to the veto clause.

The Canadian, French and other delegations had differed with Baruch in his insistence on including a specific elimination of the veto as applied to punishing those charged with violations.

At today's meeting France's Alexandre Parodi noted unanimity had been reached on the principle of international control and on eliminating the veto in the day to day work of the atomic control commission. He expressed the hope this unanimity could be extended still further and restated his opposition to including the specific reference to the veto as suggested by Baruch. However he said he would favor the report as a whole.

AGREE ON REPORT
Agreement with the report was also expressed by delegates of Aus-



GROMYKO
Gives Soviet position

tralia, Canada, Brazil, Egypt, Great Britain and China.

Poland's Oscar Lange drew attention of the delegates to the importance of getting agreement among the five permanent members of the Security Council if there was to be any kind of plan for control of atomic energy.

Lange criticized a UN member who allegedly had said that unless his plan were accepted he would have nothing to do with the organization. This was an obvious reference to Baruch who had indicated it was his plan as a whole or nothing at all.

Gromyko pointed out "atomic energy is still being used exclusively for the production of armaments which, by their nature, are the weapons of aggression, and are destined for an attack mainly on large cities with numerous civil population."

It was evident from Gromyko's speech he suspected the Baruch plan sought to deprive the United Nations Security Council of its authority as the major body for settling disputes and preventing war.

He charged the elimination of the veto on questions of punishing violators "undermined" the very basis "of effective activities of the Security Council."

The issue now goes to the Security Council whose five permanent members must concur on any plan dealing with atomic energy before it can go into effect.

PRIME MINISTER ATTLEE
will meet today with his cabinet to consider the coal shortage in England which threatens to slow down many key industries.

Pravda Calls Dairen Incident a Press Lie

A Dairen, Manchuria, dispatch to the Communist Party newspaper Pravda said yesterday, according to the United Press, that contrary to American newspaper reports an American warship which recently visited Dairen remained there "unhindered for several hours" after the period set by the ship itself, because the captain was delayed ashore.

The dispatch said that Soviet authorities in Dairen refused permission for two American correspondents "and a representative of the Standard Oil Co. to remain in port because an official notification by the American Embassy in China of the warship's visit did not list them as passengers." The notification itself, the dispatch said, arrived only after the ship arrived in the roadstead.

"The correspondent of the Scripps Howard American newspaper trust, William H. Newton, intentionally and wrongly described the facts in order to give a sensational character to his report," Pravda said.

In Washington, Lincoln White, press spokesman for the State Department, said Consul General H. Merrell Benninghoff's official report is being awaited to clear up the confusion surrounding the happenings in Dairen.

He said the State Department's opinion is that the Soviet port commander did not issue an ultimatum to the Americans, as reported by Newton.

Furious Peiping Demands U.S. Get Out of China

PEIPING, China, Dec. 30.—Thousands of Chinese university students marched through Peiping's main streets today shouting "Get out, you beasts" in an anti-American demonstration in North China.

The demonstration, touched off by the rape of a Chinese college girl by a United States Marine Christmas Eve, was led by students of Yenching University of which U.S. Ambassador J. Leighton Stuart has been president since 1919.

More than 10,000 students paraded shortly after noon. They were joined by thousands of other Chinese.

Five thousand demonstrators in front of Sino-American executive headquarters placed a huge placard over the entrance. It said:

"Your job is finished. Go home. We don't want you here."

U.S. Headquarters ordered uniformed personnel to stay off the streets.



BARUCH
His plan approved

merely mentions the United Nations.

2. Baruch's proposal seeks to eliminate the veto in applying sanctions against nations charged with violations, while the UN charter provides that sanctions can be carried out only with the agreement of the five permanent members of the Security Council—U. S., Britain, USSR, France and China.

SPOKE IN ENGLISH

Gromyko, who was appointed deputy foreign minister by his government two days ago, spoke in English with very little trace of an accent. As soon as he finished, U. S. delegate Bernard Baruch moved adoption of the report pre-

WORLD BRIEFS

BRITISH ARREST JEWS FOR TROOP FLOGGING



BRITISH TROOPS arrested a number of Jews in Jerusalem yesterday for the flogging of four British soldiers Sunday. The flogging was in retaliation for the whipping of Jews ordered by the British.

THE FOUR POWER Allied Control Council in Berlin published a law yesterday prohibiting

the manufacture, transport and storage of arms and atomic weapons "to prevent the rearming of Germany."

REPORTS FROM Saigon by the French press agency AFP yesterday quoted Gen. Philippe LeClerc as saying the situation in Indo-China is "becoming better as reinforcements arrive."

Bad Advice on Germany

By
MILTON HOWARD

There was a laughing Nazi prisoner I had a long talk with two years ago. He was young, sporting a new goatee, very well educated. What startled me was his almost gay arrogance.

After all, he was a prisoner. His world had collapsed. He was in charge of a gang of PW's because he could talk English and could transmit our orders.

I couldn't figure out what made him so goldarned confident. I'm beginning to understand him though.

He said to me then:

"This upset for us is just temporary. You Americans need us. If not today then tomorrow. Today you treat us as enemies. Very well, we have lost. But tomorrow you will need us as outposts in Europe. Never fear, we'll be on our way again. Washington will be calling on us before long."

Within the past week, our national policy toward Germany proves this impudent young killer had something. I had argued that never again would the USA permit a revived German militarism after it had learned the lesson in World

War II. Now, it doesn't appear so certain.

Only two years after Germany's defeat, a congressional committee bluntly demands that the USA rebuild German militarism "as a bulwark against Russia." Led by Rep. Colmer of Mississippi, the House Committee yesterday urged that we halt all relief to German's victims, that we divert this relief to Germany, and move to get the Soviet occupation forces out of Germany.

This follows last week's pardoning of another 800,000 known Nazis, including top Nazi militarists in the US zone.

All this takes place as we get ready to discuss the German treaty with the Soviet Union at Moscow.

We're tipping our hand. It is a frankly pro-Nazi hand. We're trading allies and enemies. We're deciding that we were all wrong about Hitler and Tojo and Emperor Hirohito. It seems that the Axis was really our friend all along, but we didn't know it. Pearl Harbor was a friendly gesture, falsely painted by Roosevelt as a hostile act.

THE young Nazi wherever he is in Germany must be laughing heartily these

days. And contemptuously, too. He didn't have a pleasant laugh at all. There are millions like him, no doubt, also laughing. There is nothing pleasant about their chuckles. It is rather a laugh of anticipation. They say the overseers of the gas chambers used to laugh that way, too.

But it is not a laughing matter that the United States of America is being made the ally of a revived fascist Germany by a handful of generals and "banker generals" out of the Wall Street investment banks.

The entire course of American foreign policy as established in the anti-Axis coalition is being systematically and rapidly destroyed.

The "get tough with Russia" line can have no other follow-up than a "be kind to German fascism" line.

But it is a certainty that there is not the slightest desire among the people of this country for such a decision.

Our "be kind to Nazis" line explains the insincerity of our attitude on every foreign policy issue.

How can the molders of American policy

dare claim that it is their interest in democracy which determines their hostility to Poland, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Romania and Bulgaria when these same circles are openly restoring German Nazism as an ally?

But—and here is the heart of the matter—an American policy which is reviving fascism in Germany aims to be the executioner of democracy in Europe; it cannot but be the executioner of democratic political life in the USA as well.

The friends of German fascism are the enemies of American democracy.

That means none other than the congressional committee which is urging that "be kind to German fascism" be our line.

The policy which makes revived reaction in Germany our ambassador in Europe will not work. Europe will not accept it meekly. For it is a certainty that the congressional theory of a "German bulwark against Russia" implies a "German bulwark" against French, Italian and Balkan democracy. This is another reason why the current effort to block an American-Soviet treaty on Germany is based on very bad advice indeed.

LABOR and the NATION



Firemen pour water on still smoldering blaze at Brooks Elevator Corporation's million bushel grain elevator in Minneapolis. Fire is said to have been started by a spark from a conveyor belt. Damage is estimated at \$3,000,000.

POLICE SPREAD DRAGNET FOR HUSBAND OF SLAIN WOMAN

BRIDGEPORT, N. J., Dec. 30.—Police of nine states searched today for John Allen James, 36, research engineer, whose wife's battered body was found in a shallow grave in the backyard of their house in this quiet country town.

James disappeared yesterday in an old Chevrolet sedan with a New York license plate. He told his father-in-law, Siegfried Vollmer, that he was "going to New York to join my wife." A little while later Vollmer found his daughter buried beneath two inches of dirt.

Vollmer had returned from Brooklyn, N.Y., Sunday to find his daughter gone.

"She followed you to Brooklyn," James told his father-in-law, then disappeared.

Vollmer, suspicious, began a search of the house.

"Then I heard a dog barking in our little yard outside," he related. "I went outside and noticed an irregularly shaped patch had recently been dug up. I got a shovel and began to dig."

He scarcely spaded the dirt before

he found the body of his daughter, an attractive woman of 35. She was wrapped in a blanket. Her head was battered cruelly.

Senate Gavel To Vandenberg

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Senate Republicans, ignoring intra-party protests against "steamrolling," today nominated Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan to be president pro tempore, and elected the other senate officers who will guide GOP destinies in the 80th Congress.

A demand by Sen. Charles W. Tobey, (R-N.H.), that the selection of new leaders be postponed, under conference rules, until the new Congress actually convenes Jan. 3, went unheeded, and the 51 GOP members put their stamp of approval on:

Wallace H. White of Maine to be the new majority leader; Kenneth S. Wherry of Nebraska to continue as whip; Eugene D. Millikin of Colorado to succeed Vandenberg as conference chairman and Milton R. Young of North Dakota to be secretary of the conference.

Portal Pay Seen Congress' 1st Target

General counsel Lee Pressman of the CIO issued a warning yesterday that "one of the first acts" of the new Congress will be an attempt to deprive American workers of portal-to-portal pay claims now being filed in courts throughout the country. The threatened action "must be vigorously fought" by American labor, Pressman declared, adding that Congress reactionaries will attempt to blitz the legislation through.

Mich. GOPer to Present 'Portal' Bill in Congress

By William Allan

DETROIT, Dec. 30.—Michigan Republican Congressmen are dashing to the rescue of the employers here who are faced with suits for more than a billion dollars for portal-to-portal pay. Congressman Earl C. Michener of Adrian, Mich., said he will introduce in the new Congress a bill cutting down the time limitation period to one year, instead of six as the law allows in Michigan.

Another axe being prepared for portal-to-portal retroactive pay is a battle by the employers in the lower courts to set the amount to be paid out and to extend the time limit employers are allowed before portal-to-portal becomes effective.

Also in many plants employers are seeking to prove that the workers are not entitled to portal-to-portal pay. Some of the corporations here are already threatening to remove all privileges, such as parking lots, locker rooms, showers, etc., as a form of intimidation.

Some thought is being given by many local union leaders here to what effect portal to portal pay will have on the proposed wage campaign scheduled for the early part of 1947. A great deal of alarm is displayed at an agreement settled by District 50 of the United Mine Workers, AFL, which settled recently with the Dow Chemical Co. of Michigan on a \$4,000,000 portal-to-portal payoff in lieu of a proposed 20 cent wage increase that the union originally asked for.

HULLABALLOO

Meanwhile the local press is whipping up big headlines at every announcement of the filing of a new suit for portal pay while any news of wage negotiations is either blacked out or buried.

That the wage campaign is being obliterated in this froth of headlines about billions of dollars "coming" on portal-to-portal pay, is also seen in the fact that no preparation by the major unions

here to publicize the wage demands is under way.

A classic example is the impending UAW-CIO national educational conference called by Victor Reuther in Cleveland for Jan. 24, 25, and 26. In the proposed agenda, not a word is mentioned about the impending wage drive, or the preparations to resist the anti-labor offensive of the 80th Congress.

Highlighted is however a speech by UAW president Walter P. Reuther titled: "Designing Tomorrow on Today's Drawing Boards." Victor Reuther will speak on "Machining Tools for Mass Production."

Meanwhile a newspaper word battle has broken loose between the United Steel Workers, CIO director Thomas Shane and August Scholle, CIO Regional Director for Michigan. Scholle had sent a letter to all steel union locals telling them that they should take up their portal-to-portal problems with him. Shane publicly advised Scholle to tend to his own chores. Some steel locals deeply resentful of Scholle's sabotage of PAC in the last election saw fit to announce withdrawal from the Michigan CIO setup charging Scholle with helping to elect Republicans.

Delay Inquest Of Eire Crash

SHANNON, Eire, Dec. 30.—An inquest into the death of 12 persons in the crash of a transatlantic Constellation was adjourned today for four weeks to await the hoped-for recovery of the pilot and co-pilot.

A 12-man jury met at Ennis under Coroner Jerome H. Counihan, heard sketchy accounts of the Saturday crash of the Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc., liner here, and then adjourned.

Counihan made it plain that the jury wanted most of all to hear from Capt. Herbert Tansey, the pilot, and Clifford Sparrow, the co-pilot.

Suit at Campbell Soup

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—Saul C. Waldbaum, attorney for the Food, Tobacco, Agricultural and Allied Workers Union, CIO announced yesterday he had started suit against the Campbell Soup Co. in the U. S. District Court in Camden, N. J. The suit is for \$23,000,000 plus double damages under the Fair Labor Standard Act.

A Good Example

By Alan Max

Bishop Manning made the "menace of communism" the subject of his final sermon as bishop. This is a splendid example for others to follow: those who talk about the "menace of communism" should immediately retire.

USSR and Norway In Trade Pact

MOSCOW, Dec. 30.—The Communist Party newspaper Pravda today reported the conclusion of a Norwegian trade agreement which provides for the Soviet Union to furnish raw material for Norwegian industry, which will manufacture finished goods for the Soviet Union.

Butter Prices Wobble As Federal Probe Opens

Butter continued to slide erratically on the price scale yesterday as three federal agencies opened a probe here to find out what caused the price-jiggling during the Christmas holidays. The price per pound fell 3 3/4 cents as it was charged the Dairymen's League Cooperative Association was manipulating prices to suit itself.

Participating in the investigation were Wendell Berge, assistant Attorney General in charge of the anti-trust division; John F. X. McGohery, U. S. Attorney, and Dr. J. M. Mehl, director of the compliance and investigation branch of the Department of Agriculture.

ADMITS BUYING

The New York City Consumers Council, whose charges of price-finagling brought the investigation, charged retail prices of meat are rising once more, and said it is untrue that "prices in general are declining."

Admission the Dairymen's League

had bought \$750,000 worth of butter on the New York market to keep January milk prices up to the December mark came from Henry H. Rathbun, the group's president.

The price of butter is a factor in the formula used to fix prices to milk distributors.

Last week, when the league halted butter purchases, the sizable drop in wholesale butter prices followed, and the price skidded to 80 cents a pound. Yesterday the price was up to 89 cents once more.

The investigation demand from the Consumers Council came Thursday, after the drop revealed price-

finagling. Friday, the price rose four cents.

Jeanette L. Turner, executive secretary of the Council, made it plain high prices are still the order of the day. "There is no real break in cost-of-living prices," she said. "Some stores have advertised post-Christmas sales and others are trying to get rid of huge inventories of shoddy goods by marking down prices."

"But this does not warrant the conclusion that prices in general are declining. We still urge consumers to buy nothing but the necessities and to refuse to take inferior quality."

Fascist Columbians Stooged For Bosses to Break Unions

By George Leonard

ATLANTA, Dec. 30.—The fascist Columbians were inspired and supported by Georgia industrialists to help defeat the CIO Southern organizing drive. The Exposition Cotton Mills in Atlanta, Ga., which employs more than a thousand workers, defeated a strike with the help of the Columbians and a goon squad of which the Columbians were the backbone. The idea was for the Columbians to break the CIO in the South and then to spread throughout the country and destroy it everywhere.

At the beginning, it was called the "Columbian Workers Movement" in an effort to fool the working men of Georgia and draw them into the movement aimed at wrecking all unions and multiplying the profits of big business.



Whittier Mills and the Fulton Bag and Cotton Mill, all of which were in Atlanta, used the Columbians in their effort to prevent the CIO from organizing their plants.

"We are doing very well at Exposition Mills and at Whittier Mills," Homer Loomis, Jr., executive secretary of the Columbians boasted Oct. 3. Loomis also announced that "out at Exposition Cotton Mills they have been enthusiastic about us from the start."

"It's our understanding that Exposition Cotton Mills was helping to organize the Columbians. I know the Columbians met there and were formed during the strike," was the way Charles Gilman, Chairman of the Georgia State CIO Industrial Union Council put it. "I think Loomis and Burke are fronts. Several influential people here and in Decatur were among those who were supervising and financing the Columbians."

The CIO Textile Workers Union had won a NLRB election at Exposition Cotton Mills about two years ago by a narrow margin. Since then, the owners refused to negotiate a contract with the union. On March 18, 1946 the union went out on strike.

From then on until Aug. 26, 1946 when the strike was broken and the union lost out, Loomis and the Columbians were very active at the mill.

Persons calling the Columbians office for Loomis have been told on many occasions: "Loomis is out at Exposition Mills."

The Columbians serve the Exposition Cotton Mills well, as they carry out a Nazi program for Amer-

ica which can only lead our country to fascism—to the nazification of our way of life—to the end of our democratic institutions—to the destruction of organized labor and to the extermination of all minorities.



AQUACUTIE, Joan Thomas, 16, of Venice, Calif., will compete for champion paddleboard performer at the New Year's Day aquatic program at Santa Monica.

Low Cost Housing AVC Demand in '47

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (FP).—Pushing legislation for low-cost housing through Congress will be the main objective of the American Veterans Committee's legislative program in 1947.

AVC legislative representative Chet Patterson said Jan. 1 passage of the Wagner-Ellender-Taft long-range housing bill "is desperately needed to provide rental housing at reasonable rates." He added that the AVC housing program also includes passage of the Rabin bill and continuation of rent control.



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PROSECUTION — NOT WHITEWASH FOR BILBO

By Benjamin Davis, Jr.

Enough evidence has been piled up against the fascist Bilbo not only to unseat him, but to raise the question of a Federal prosecution. Yet, it is as plain as Pike's Peak certain members of the two committees which held hearings upon him are planning a whitewash for this revolting Ku Kluxer. What a nice way to begin the new year.

The activities of this man over the years, particularly in the recent period when he became even more brazen — together with the limited birdseye view of him before the two Senate Committees—are a stench in the nostrils of every decent American.

Although the capitalist press depicted him in the most ludicrous poses, pretending he was merely an annoying clown, Bilbo represents a serious fascist danger in our country. He will be laughed off only at the peril of embattled democracy in America.

To perceive the full menace of Bilbo, one has to consider simultaneously the drive against organized labor by the big monopolies, through the GOP-polltax majority in the 80th Congress and through the insidious anti-labor program of the National Association of Manufacturers.

NO DOUBT

It has been proved beyond a shadow of doubt that:

1. Bilbo is a Ku Kluxer. This he brazenly admitted over a nationwide radio hook-up.
2. Bilbo incited violence against Negroes seeking to vote in the recent elections. His statement over the radio that Negroes should be kept from the polls at all costs using any and every means was not even denied by Bilbo.
3. The charges Bilbo accepted war contract bribes, aided a drug addict and generally violated the principle of free elections beggar description.

POINTED OUT

What the Communists have repeatedly pointed out is, namely, that when one finds a public official who thrives on Negro, Jew, labor, or red-baiting, he runs the whole gamut of political corruption and reaction. Bilbo is the shining example for all who might have considered his "white supremacy" views as "naughty peculiarities."

In Mississippi, it wasn't the Senate Campaign Expenditures Committee, which brought out the evidence against Bilbo. The credit for this goes to the courageous Negro veterans who braved the murderous terror of Bilbo's fellow Klansmen, after the Senate Committee held the hearings in Mis-

issippi for with the obvious and sinister hope that Negroes would be afraid to testify.

The evidence which came out during the hearings of the Senate War Investigating Committee was clear, in spite of certain members of the committee. For at one point, although it was Bilbo on trial, yet the committee cited for contempt one of the witnesses testifying against Bilbo!

ENOUGH EVIDENCE

Be that as it may, it is clear that there is enough evidence to place before a Federal Grand Jury. Unseating him is the least of the penalties for this would-be Hitler.

One senator has declared in advance that it isn't Bilbo who is at fault, it's the system. (Although one cannot agree on Bilbo, one could agree if he meant the capitalist system.) This argument is ridiculous. One might as well say of a murderer who shot his victim to death that it wasn't the murderer, it was the pistol.

Another, Sen. Thomas, says that if action is taken against Bilbo, all the other senators may be embarrassed by Bilbo's digging up their skeletons. No doubt there are others in the Senate who have unsavory records, and they ought to be exposed. But this is not an excuse, this is an expression of cowardice at best. But, in any event, he certainly gives an excellent reason why a new third people's party is needed in this country, if for no other reason than to get a few clean officeholders in the highest legislative body of America, who will stand up against a fascist.

Bilbo must be denied a seat on Jan. 3. Thereafter it will be much more difficult to dislodge him. For on Jan. 3 only a majority of the senators are necessary to deny him a seat. After Jan. 3, a two-thirds majority of the Senate is necessary. The Negro people—ther labor-progressive supporters—will watch the action of every single senator Jan. 3.

Every labor and people's organization in the country should send a representative on the delegation to Washington to unseat Bilbo Jan. 2, under the auspices of the American Crusade to End Lynching.

No whitewash for Bilbo! No seat for Bilbo! Indict Bilbo!

Mayor Greets City On New Year

Mayor O'Dwyer issued New Years greetings yesterday "to my fellow citizens of the City of New York," to the Board of Estimate, the City Council and all city employees.

"I renew to you the pledge I made when I assumed the office of the Mayor of the City of New York," O'Dwyer stated, "that I will administer the affairs of our city for all of the people regardless of politics, race, color or creed."

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NEW YORK

Best Years, Open City, Olivier, Celia Johnson Win Critics' Awards

Two outstanding social films, *The Best Years of Our Lives* (Hollywood), and *The Open City* (Italian) were voted the best English-language and foreign-language films respectively by the New York Film Critics Circle. The critics made the awards for the best films and best performances of 1946 at a meeting yesterday afternoon at the headquarters of the New York Newspaper Guild, 40 E. 40 St.

William Wyler was voted the best director of the year for his work on *The Best Years of Our Lives*.

Laurence Olivier, the British actor won the male acting honors for his "Henry V" characterization.

BRITISH FILMS COMPETE

Only three films were in the running for the best English-language film of the year: *Best Years of Our Lives*, *Henry V* and *Stairway to Heaven*, the latter two English productions. It took only two ballots

to elect *Best Years*. On the first ballot, *Best Years* received 11 votes; *Henry V*, six; *Stairway to Heaven*, one. The final ballot showed 12 for *Best Years* and six for *Henry V*.

(David Platt, film critic of the *Daily Worker* said Nov. 30, in his *Daily Worker* said Nov. 30, in his review of "Best Years of Our Lives": "The highest praise that can be given this stirring story of three returned war vets trying to readjust themselves to civilian life is that it makes distinguished drama out of the ordinary day to day doings of average people. . . . In its direction, photography, writing and acting, *Best Years of Our Lives* is so far ahead of anything produced by Hollywood this year, it should win every award in sight in a walk.")

The Open City (Italian) and *The*

Well-digger's Daughter (French) were the only contenders for the best foreign-language film. The final score after six ballots were cast read: *Open City*, 10 votes; *Well-digger's Daughter* 7. One critic did not cast a vote for the foreign film award.

Laurence Olivier won the best male-acting award without much trouble. Only two other names were in the battle: Frederic March, for his performance in *Best Years of Our Lives*, and Rex Harrison for *Anna and the King of Siam*. Olivier won by a large majority in the second ballot, receiving 12 votes to 6 for March.

Celia Johnson, star of *Brief Encounter*, narrowly beat out Olivia de Havilland (*To Each His Own*) to win the best actress laurel. Teresa Wright (*Best Years of Our Lives*), Rosalind Russell (*Sister Kenny*), Françoise Rosay (*Portrait of a Woman*), Vivian Leigh (*Caesar and Cleopatra*) were some of the contenders. The final score showed 11 votes for Miss Johnson, 7 for de Havilland.

Scrolls will be presented to the

Robeson Heads Group To Aid Sydenham

Formation of an Emergency Committee of the Arts for Sydenham Hospital with Paul Robeson as chairman and Eric Bernay, president of Keynote Recordings as co-chairman, was announced today, with the Committee scheduling a benefit program for the hospital at Town Hall, Saturday, Jan. 11, 11:30 p. m.

Richard Dyer-Bennet, Tom Glazer, Ella Logan, Zero Mostel, Phil Foster, La Martinque comedy star and Mimi Benzell, young soprano star of the Metropolitan Opera have already offered their services.

HARLEM TAMMANY LEADER NEW DEPUTY HOUSING HEAD

Mayor O'Dwyer announced yesterday the appointment of Raymond E. Jones as Deputy Commissioner of Housing and Buildings. Jones succeeds Morris C. Comar, who resigned last week along with Commissioner N. Thomas Saxl at the Mayor's request.

Jones, who will be sworn in on New Year's Day is at present Chief Investigator for the Borough President of Manhattan. A Negro Harlem district leader in the 13th A.D., Jones is an associate of Frank Sampson, opposition Tammany leader.

Jones lives at 415 W. 156th St. with his wife Ruth. They have two children, Ray Jr., 28, a veteran of World War II, and Dorothy 22, a student nurse at Bellevue hospital.

The post pays \$6,500 annually. Yesterday afternoon O'Dwyer

called in his fuel conservation committee headed by Police Commissioner Wallander to discuss city plans in event of a tugboat tie-up.

The tugboat workers are scheduled to strike Jan. 4.

The Mayor also set up a committee of three, representing public, industry and labor to help negotiate a collective bargaining agreement between drivers of funeral hearses in Brooklyn and Queens, and their employers.

The contract between the employers association and the Funeral Drivers local 642 of the AFL International Brotherhood of Teamsters expires today. The Mayor also requested the U.S. Conciliation service to assign William Margolies, who has been conducting negotiations, to continue in the discussions.



Wedding scene from "The Best Years of Our Lives." Left to right: Dana Andrews, Harold Russell, Cathy O'Donnell, Fredric March (center), Myrna Loy, Teresa Wright.



LAURENCE OLIVIER
Best Male Actor

Marcantonio Will Be Honored At Victory Dinner Here Jan. 10

A testimonial to the progressive leadership of Rep. Vito Marcantonio in Congress will be delivered at a dinner for the reelected Congressman Jan. 10, at the Hotel Commodore, it was announced yesterday by the New York County Committee of the American Labor Party.

Notice of the dinner, sponsored by almost 100 prominent persons from all walks of life, was given by Dorothy Parker, noted author, at her New Weston Hotel apartment.

Miss Parker said her support of the dinner resulted from the "idiotic amount of sniping" at Rep. Marcantonio during and after his recent successful campaign for reelection in the 18th Congressional District.

City Councilman Eugene P. Con-

nolly, who will address the dinner, said response to the testimonial has been "amazing" and this attested that people generally had not been taken in by the campaign of slander that has been waged against the progressive congressman.

Other speakers and sponsors of the testimonial are: Dashiell Hammett, toastmaster; Hon. Emanuel Celler, Hyman Blumberg, Albert Deutsch, Johannes Steel, Donald Ogden Stewart, Hon. A. Clayton Powell, A. F. Whitney, Louis Adam-ic, C. B. Baldwin, Dr. Edward K. Barsky, Muriel Draper, W. E. DuBois, Howard Fast, Rabbi Max Fish-



Anna Magnani (center) in a scene from the Italian-made film "Open City."

winners at the critics' 11th annual awards party to be held soon.

Eighteen critics representing eleven daily newspapers in New York participated in the voting, including: Howard Barnes, Otis L. Guernsey and Joseph Pihodna, N. Y. Herald Tribune; David Platt, *Daily Worker*; Thomas M. Pryor, A. H. Weiler and Bosley Crowther,

N. Y. Times; Kate Cameron, Dorothy Masters and Wanda Hale, N. Y. Daily News; Alton Cook, *World-Telegram*; Rose Pelswick, *Journal-American*; Cecilia Ager, PM; Irene Thirer and Archer Winston, N. Y. Post; Edgar Price, *Brooklyn Citizen*; Leo Mishkin, *Morning Telegraph*; Herb Cohen, *Brooklyn Daily Eagle*.

Mayor Honored With Gift From Palestine

A rare Hebrew edition of the Old Testament from Mayor Israel Rokach of the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv, Palestine, was presented to Mayor O'Dwyer at City Hall yesterday.

The Mayor accepted the presenta-

tion and said it was the "shame of our generation that people suffering so long and imprisoned should now find a barrier of paper keeping them from going back to Palestine to enjoy the liberty and freedom which is so rightfully theirs."

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Change the World

All in All, 1946 Saw the
World En Route to Socialism

By Mike Gold

A LAST DISGRACE to 1946 was the Christmas present given to 800,000 Nazis by that Santa Claus to end all Santas, the dubious Gen. McNarney. He commands the American zone in Germany, and he smells bad.

"Go, little friends!" the general said to the 800,000, "all is forgiven—the human furnaces, the V-bombings of London and Warsaw, the concentration camps, race hatred, befoolment of life that you promulgated."

"It was just a boyish prank, wasn't it? And you, too, Donald Day, go and sin no more! Papa loves you still, though you tried to rape your little sister, set fire to the world house, spread mental filth and Nazi race-hatred."



SO THE GENERAL turned them loose, set them free of all taint, permitted them to enter world politics again, with full voting and shooting and Ku Klux privileges!

Donald Day, who used to lie so much for the *Chicago Tribune*, then became an open Nazi and broadcast daily messages of anti-democratic hatred over Radio Berlin, he was also set free. He will rejoin Col McCormick, Dirty Hearst, Sen. Bilbo and the rest in the red-baiting drive to make America safe for big business and big fascism!

Nothing made me sicker in the year just past than the campaign by British and American Big Business to rehabilitate German fascism.

They want to use Germany as a reactionary counterweight against the rising democracy of France, Italy, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia.

It is the same thing they did after the first World War, when our Herbert Hoovers starved Germany and fed German reaction, thus preparing the way for Hitler.

WRETCHED PROFITEERS of big business are gambling again with the lives and happiness of all humanity. Did you read the recent article in Henry Luce's *Fortune* magazine, a frank plea that Germany be rebuilt with American and British aid into again becoming the strongest country of Europe?

Writers write pathetic little tales of starving German children and poor German people living in bombed-out ruins. We are told it is humanitarian to help such a starving and defeated enemy!

But working people of England and their children eat as little today as the Germans.

French and Yugoslavs eat less; and brave Italian and Greek partisans who fought Hitlerism in their underground armies aren't eating at all.

We treat them like the enemy; we treat the Nazi Germans like friends. This is moral rotteness and the vestibule to hell and fascism.

Yet 1946 was also the year that saw the slow and painful beginning of a world organization for peace, the United Nations.

What happened in Europe, too, was that the people refused to surrender their new-won democracy in exchange for Herbert Hoover's rations, as after the last capitalist war. Cold, hungry and heroic, they are giving land to the peasants and breaking up feudalism. Socialization is on the program from England to the farthest plains of Poland.

WHO IS GOING to be able to set back this historic clock? It's not anybody's fantasy or the dream of a utopian dreamer, news from nowhere.

It is today's economic necessity. Private capitalism can build a house, a street. But it cannot rebuild a bombed-out city, or nation; restore railroads, highways, ports, ruined farm areas and factory towns.

Yet, will America remain the one solitary fortress of fascism in a world moving so strongly toward socialism?

Whom would America trade with as a single, self-isolated specimen of pure capitalism? Can America really conquer the world, even with the atom bomb?

How about the American people? Are they ready to goose-step around the world? Are they willing to take wage cuts and give up their trade unions and free speech, as the NAM is demanding?

1946 was a year full of evil and hunger, but it also was the year that saw new hope rising in Europe. The flowers and fruits of socialism sprang from the ruins there of the Hitlerite war. And the reactionary diplomats of Britain and America were constrained to recognize these new democracies of Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Romania, Hungary—and France and Italy and England, too. All in all, 1946 saw us on the road at last.



Tidal Wave Aftermath: Japanese in the devastated city of Kainan push their boats off the streets where they were swept by the tidal wave and quake which recently hit Japan. More than a thousand were killed in the disaster.

PESTBROOK WIGLER, ROVING REPORTER



"This Bilbo hearing is strictly a frameup—just like the Nuernberg trial." —Reprinted by request.

Seaman's Notebook

A MEETING IN GENOA

By Herb Tank

THE MEETING WAS DOWN by the waterfront. The waterfront in Genoa is something like the waterfront in San Francisco curving around like a horseshoe. On one

side of the street are the docks, on the other side the bistros, the ships chandlers, the shops that exchange every, and any, kind of money into Italian Lires, and the little gip-joints that sell souvenirs for a sailor to take back home to his girl.

People walking into the meeting hall showed their Party books to a man stationed at the entrance. The Italian Communist Party membership books are large and pretty colorful affairs. This meeting was a special meeting for section organizers and Party functionaries the English teacher explained.

The hall was drab and cold and everybody kept their coats on. It seemed colder inside the hall than it was outside. The only color in the place was provided by the big red flag that decorated the stage. Over on one side of the hall there was a bar with two girls serving wine. We went over and had a drink. I told the English teacher that this was the first time I was ever at a meeting where you could get a drink. "Well," he said, "it helps to keep out the cold." Said I, "A fine custom."

THE MEETING was set for 7 o'clock and it started on time. I am not very good at estimating numbers but I guess there were about 2,000 people there. Since I was a guest and scheduled to say a few words they sat me up on the stage. And I was proud to be there.

Pessi, the secretary of the Communist Party in Genoa, opened up the meeting and called upon me to take the deck. I greeted the Italian Communist Party in the name of the American Communists, paid tribute to their great Party, and congratulated them on their victory in the recent elections in Genoa.

When I finished the chairman spoke. "In the name of the Partito Comunista Italiano, in the name of the Italian working class, we express our solidarity with the American workers and the Communist Party of America," he said. "We know that our real friends in America are those who are like us, workers and of the people. We desire the same things: peace and a better pay of life for all people. The bond that unites us is the greatest bond there is, the solidarity of the working people of the world."

The principal item on the agenda that night was an analysis of the recent city elections. The Communists won a major victory in the elections, establishing themselves as the leading party in Genoa, with a Communist mayor and a majority in the city government.

He analyzed the election district by district, and Party section by section. He compared the work of each Party section with the work it had done in the previous elections.

THEN PESSI spoke of the great responsibilities that faced each and every member of the Party now that the Communist Party was responsible for directing the life of the city. "We have promised the people that we would do certain things. They have indicated by their vote that they wanted these things done, that they have faith in our ability to do them. Unlike the bourgeois parties we do not make false promises in order to secure office."

One elderly comrade got up. He spoke slowly and deliberately as if he were teaching a class. His hands gestured with the same expressive, deliberate quality that marked his speech. I wasn't surprised when the English teacher described him as "a fine old comrade, a professor at the university."

"WE HAVE NOW," the old professor said, "one of our fine comrades as mayor of our city. The people have bestowed a great honor, not only on the Comrade Mayor, but on our Party, on all of us. And so it is not only our Comrade Mayor who is responsible for the duties of governing our city but our entire party. Each and every one of us is responsible. Each and every one of us must accept his responsibilities."

I wasn't able to stay for the entire meeting. When I got up to leave a comrade from the floor proposed that the meeting send a message of solidarity to the American Communists.

WORTH REPEATING

"Wages, as we have seen, by their very nature, always imply the performance of a certain quantity of unpaid labor on the part of the laborer. Altogether, irrespective of the case of a rise of wages with a falling price of labor, etc., such an increase only means at best a quantitative diminution of the unpaid labor that the worker has to supply. This diminution can never reach the point at which it would threaten the system itself." Karl Marx, *Capital*, Vol. 1, P. 678, Charles H. Kerr & Co.

Press Roundup

Times Courts Delay on Disarmament

THE TIMES just refuses to accept any Soviet view without the maximum of suspicion and distrust. Commenting on Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Gromyko's call for quick action on disarmament, the *Times* says "... the Russian demand is still subject to various interpretations, and its exact meaning and purposes must await further clarification." Then the *Times* lays the basis for arguments for delay by claiming, "All this emphasizes that the problem of general disarmament is vast and complex, and that more than three months may be necessary..." How soon Secretary Byrnes will echo this line remains to be seen.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE plugs for agreement on Bernard Baruch's atom bomb policy before any agreement on Soviet proposals for disarmament. "The bases for a general disarmament system... do not today exist," the *Trib* claims. "The bases for an effective atomic-control system... do exist..." Which sounds suspiciously like an attempt to blackmail Lady Disarmament by the Atom Knave.

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM wants no part of Soviet quick disarmament proposals. They "cannot be accepted in good faith," the *Telly* says. This is because the Soviet Union has refused to knuckle down to Baruch's atom bomb plan, the *Telly* makes clear. And then it accuses the Soviet Union of "contemplating a breach of faith" because it insists on the right to have an opinion on atom control. The *Telly* doesn't even blush when it drags in its trumped-up version of the "Dairen incident" for another "flagrant violation" charge against the USSR. No shame can penetrate the *Telly*, it seems.

THE DAILY MIRROR says, "Keep the A-Bomb," and quotes the greatest living admirer of Mars, Winston Churchill, to back it up. Agreement between Churchill and Hearst is not hard to find.

THE JOURNAL-AMERICAN says organized labor is "needlessly planning the 'second round' of wage demands." If there's one thing the *Journal* draws its pistol at, it's talk of wage increases for American workers.

THE DAILY NEWS opposes auto accidents and falling hair.

THE POST criticizes Ernie Adamson of the Wood-Rankin congressional witch-hunting committee, but steps in for a good-sized amount of red-baiting itself. It doesn't seem to occur to the *Post* that its red-baiting delivers the same end product at less disguised outbursts from Adamson, Rankin, Bilbo and others.

THE SUN in view of proposed tax increases for New York City, is concerned over how this will affect property owners and real estate interests. The child concerns himself with his father in this case.

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They Laughed Too Soon

AFTER the November elections, Big Business and its newspaper spokesmen began to talk confidently of the end of the "New Deal" era.

They saw America entering a new era of "freedom," by which they meant freedom of the trusts to break up the trade unions, to speed labor's exploitation, to eliminate small business, to take over agriculture by kicking two-thirds of the small farmers off the land, to use America as their own instrument in gaining domination over the rest of the world.

The monopolies and their journalist agents exulted that with the voice of FDR stilled, the people were turning from his program and were demanding a return to Harding-Hoover "normalcy," as after the last war.

The week-end convention of progressives, which organized the Progressive Citizens of America, proved reaction was exulting a little too soon.

Like the Chicago Conference of Progressives in September, and the coming gathering in Washington sponsored by it, the spirited week-end convention which merged the National Citizens PAC and the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, showed that the work and the principles of FDR are far from dead.

They demonstrated that there is a great movement in America devoted to the fight for those principles, and it intends and expects to win out.

Both Henry Wallace and the newly-formed Progressive Citizens of America made it clear this movement is not tied to either of the old parties, and will strike out for itself when the conditions warrant.

Different From End of World War I

The existence of such a movement, uniting powerful sections of the organized workers with the Negro people and middleclass liberalism, is one of the differences between the situation today and after the last war which operates to prevent reaction from having its own way.

As Henry Wallace told the weekend convention, three-fourths of the American people are ready to accept the anti-war, anti-monopoly program of this progressive movement, provided they are told about it and leadership given in organizing them behind it.

The trouble has been that among very large sections, particularly the farmers and the small middle classes, but including, as well, parts of the labor movement, there has been no such leadership and the reactionaries have had pretty much of a free hand.

But now the leadership for unifying this three-quarters of the population against the trusts and their program of grief for America is beginning to be forged.

The Conference decided that the keynote is unity among the progressives themselves, the building of a coalition of labor, farmers, Negro people, middle classes, and its organization a powerful, well knit movement that will extend into every state, county, city and precinct.

Stopping Evictions

WHAT happened in Brooklyn Friday shows the people of New York—and doubtless elsewhere—are ready to go to town to stop evictions, even if it means battling in the streets.

Two thousand of Fred Daab's neighbors gathered to block a callous landlord's action in throwing him and his family out of their home.

It took 35 cops to prevent them from putting back his furniture, and the fight is not over yet.

Daab was put out because he insisted upon proper services. By aiding his eviction, the authorities were in effect, helping the landlords browbeat their tenants into accepting cuts in services.

This cannot be permitted. The job of city agencies is to protect the people against the landlords in this housing emergency, not the other way around.

Inevitably, there will be trouble if the city authorities fail to recognize this.

HANDS OFF!



Letters From Our Readers

Says Adamson's 'Plot' Was Blunt Lie

Baltimore, Md.
Editor, Daily Worker:

The answer to the charge of Ernie Adamson that "the Communists have a plot for a revolution in the United States" ought to be that he is a contemptible liar.

The same applies to the radio commentators who said Adamson's statement was the statement of the Un-American Committee. They must have known that was a blunt lie when they made the report over the air.

These liars should be refuted.

J. H.

Wants Lies Nailed With Popular Hammer

Brooklyn, N. Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:

It has occurred to me that now is the time to produce something to show Liz Dilling's "Red Network" for the lie it is, and to bring the true facts before the people.

To my knowledge, any material on who really runs America, the "leading" 60 families, has been brought to light in wordy documents and unfortunately do not reach the people.

Visual education, coupled with the written word, is what drives home the facts.

M. K.

Recalls Lincoln's Words on Labor

New York.
Editor, Daily Worker:

As the new year approaches, indications of what Congress is preparing to do after it convenes January 3, show its main concern is for enactment of repressive and punitive legislation against organized labor.

It will be a great day in the history of this country when our legislators, national and local alike, remember and act according to the words Abraham Lincoln spoke in Springfield, Ill., Oct. 1, 1864:

"All that serves labor serves the nation. All that harms labor is treason to America. No line can be drawn between these two. If any man tells you he loves America yet hates labor, he is a liar. If any man tells you he trusts America yet fears labor, he is a fool. There is no America without labor."

A. G.

VIEWS ON LABOR NEWS

History and Merrill Disagree

By George Morris

LEWIS MERRILL and those leaders of the United Office and Professional Workers who side with him for a "rightward shift," base their position primarily on the claim of "exceptionalism" for white collar workers.

They argue somewhat like this:

The union has been too "left" for white collar people. Workers in offices and banks are more conservative than others and more affected by red scares. So the union which has been traditionally known as "left" for its 10 years in the CIO, must shake off this handicap with a proclamation to the world that henceforth it is in the "middle of the road" and has no association with any "wings."

But how does it measure up in life? It is an historic fact for American labor that both the idea and a substantial start in organization of office and professional workers was developed through the left-progressive forces.

The UOPW itself, although a red herring trailed it all its life, grew from a handful of New York members to 70,000, among them 32,000 insurance agents who were always viewed as "unorganizable."

The Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians (now merged with the UOPW) was tagged by the red-baiters with a crimson label since its birth. That did not prevent it from becoming the country's most substantial union in the "unorganizable" technical professions.

The United Public Workers a large portion of which consists of white collar workers in state, municipal and federal employ, is among the most red-baited unions. But did that prevent it from becoming the major organization in its field?

THE UNITED Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, another major target of the red-baiters, has 68,000 of its members in the offices and technical rooms of the companies it has under contract—equal to the entire UOPWA membership.

The American Newspaper Guild is nationally under the control of red-baiters today, but it should not be forgotten that its birth was stimulated by a coalition of left forces and people like Heywood Brown, its founder, who was a

foe of red-baiters. The Guild made its major progress during its "honeymoon" progressive period and today, while nationally it is not growing fast, the sections most red-baited, like New York and Los Angeles, have about 40 percent of the membership and are making greatest progress.

Essentially the same rule applies to office people as to others. If you put on organizers and invest money and effort, they can be brought into union ranks.

ONE REASON the "left" had greatest success in organizing offices is because they are most conscious of the importance of this field and had the will to organize them. The AFL has parallel organizations in all the fields mentioned above, but is making no comparative progress.

But most important of all, the "left" had best success because it developed a "pork-chop" approach to the white-collar workers and at the same time fired away at the red-baiting propaganda of the employers. Red-baiting is dangerous only when it is allowed to go unanswered.

Once explained what red-baiting is, white-collar and professional people have a greater attraction to "left"-led unions than for others. The emphasis "lefts" put upon union democracy, hatred of racketeers, and upon honesty in union affairs, rings well to their ears for they do carry more prejudices against the old line union leaders than against "reds."

IN THE LIGHT of such facts, there is no real ground for the theses that leaders of office unions must, from now on don stuffed shirts and wear spats on their shoes. As for the grand King Canute strategy of Merrill of proclaiming that henceforth "we're in the middle of the road," the red-baiters whom he thinks he can appease, have more to say about that than he does. Elated by their first success, they will now jack up the ante. Only red-baiting by officials of the UOPW and repressive action against "communists" will satisfy them. Anything short of that will be grounds for continued shouting that they are as red as a rose and are only carrying out a deceptive maneuver.

Rankin Behind Muzzling of Radio

By Miriam Kolkin
By Federated Press

The voice of progress on the radio today has been thinned down to a mere whisper. Only a handful of progressive commentators have survived the storm of reaction whipped up by the November elections, but which was brewing long before that on the Big Business-controlled airwaves.

First big storm warning for the progressives came Nov. 6, 1945, when the Wood-Rankin committee announced it would scrutinize the

scripts of seven commentators with a view to holding hearings on their political views.

Although the congressional committee backed down on hearings, fearing the outcome of a public tangle with the highly vocal commentators, behind-the-scenes pressure proved effective enough.

An immediate victim was Hans Jacob of WOV. A few days after the Wood-Rankin request for his scripts came in, Jacob was dropped by the station.

Others singled out by the committee were William S. Gailmor and Raymond Gram Swing of the American Broadcasting Co. network, Cecil Brown of the Mutual network, Johannes Steel and Sidney Walton of WHN, a New York independent

station, and J. Raymond Walsh of WMCA, also an independent.

Of these only Swing and Walsh remain on their original broadcasting spots and both are reportedly under extreme pressure. Brown has been cut down to five minutes a week.

Gailmor, who has been broadcasting over the ABC network five nights a week for a year for the Electronic Corp. of America, was dropped when his contract expired. The Wood-Rankin touch plus a smear attack by Westbrook Pegler in the Hearst press

did the job.

Steel, who made his last broadcast Dec. 27, has had frequent difficulties with censorship in his 10 years on the air. One of his most recent tangles came last June when he was dropped from WHDH in Boston.

Steel told Federated Press his ouster came after a Rev. John C. Ford visited an official of the Washington Jewelry Co. and warned him

that Boston Catholics would withdraw their patronage unless the company stopped sponsoring Steel. The sponsor quit.

The radio industry is out after other big game besides spokesmen for a progressive America, however. The Federal Communications Commission's mild restraining influence on radio commercialism and programming has long been the industry's main target.

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MORNING

8:55-WJZ-Gems for Thought
WOR-News-Prescott Robinson
9:00-WNBC-Honey-moon in New York
WOR-Morning Variety
WJZ-Breakfast Club Variety
WCBS-News; This Is New York
WMCA-News; Talk-Isabella Beach
WQXR-News; Piano Personalities
9:15-WOR-Aunt Mary-Sketch
WQXR-Request Music
9:30-WNBC-Daytime Classic
WOR-Food-Alfred W. McCann
WMCA-Music Box
9:45-WNBC-Nelson Olmstead, Stories
WOR-News; Henry Gladstone
WJZ-My True Story
WCBS-Hits and Misses-Quiz
WMCA-News; Music Box
WQXR-News; Charlotte Adams
10:15-WNBC-Lora Lawton-Sketch
WOR-Bessie Beatty Show
10:25-WJZ-News; Hymns of All Churches
10:30-WNBC-Road of Life
WCBS-Romance of Evelyn Winters
WQXR-Composers' Corner
10:45-WNBC-Joyce Jordan-Sketch
WJZ-The Listening Post
WCBS-Milton Bacon, Stories
11:00-WNBC-Fred Waring Show
WOR-News-Prescott Robinson
WJZ-Breakfast With Breneman
WCBS-Arthur Godfrey
WMCA-News; Music Box
WQXR-News; Alma Dettinger
11:15-WOR-Tello-Test Quiz
11:30-WNBC-Jack Berch Show
WOR-Success Story
WJZ-Hollywood Story-Sketch
WCBS-Grand Slam-Musical Quiz
WMCA-News Reports; Music
WQXR-Stringtime
11:45-WNBC-David Harum
WOR-Richard Maxwell
WJZ-William Lang Show
WCBS-Rosemary-Sketch

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC-Red Hall, News
WOR-The Nooners' Club
WJZ-Kenny Baker Show
WCBS-News; Kate Smith's Chat
WMCA-News; Mr. and Mrs. Music
WQXR-News; Luncheon Concert
12:15-WNBC-Metropolitan News
WOR-Morton Downey, Songs
WCBS-Aunt Jenny's Stories
12:30-WNBC-Maggi McNellis
WOR-News; The Answer Man
WJZ-News; Talk-Nancy Craig
WCBS-Helen Trent
12:45-WNBC-Show Tunes
WCBS-Our Gal Sunday
1:00-WNBC-Mary Margaret McBride
WOR-Better Half Matinee
WJZ-H. R. Baukhage, News
WCBS-Big Sister-Sketch
WMCA-News; Mr. and Mrs. Music
WQXR-News; Midday Symphony
1:15-WJZ-The Powers Charm School
WCBS-Ma Perkins
1:30-WOR-Listen Here, Ladies
WJZ-Galen Drake
WCBS-Young Dr. Malone
1:45-WNBC-Robert McCormick, News
WOR-The Answer Man
WCBS-Road to Life
2:00-WNBC-Today's Children-Sketch
WOR-Daily Dilemmas
WJZ-News Reports
WCBS-Second Mrs. Burton
WMCA-News; Matinee Music
WQXR-News; Program Favorite
2:15-WNBC-Woman in White-Sketch
WJZ-The Woman's Exchange
WCBS-Perry Mason-Sketch
2:30-WNBC-Masquerade-Sketch
WOR-Queen for a Day
WJZ-Bride and Groom
WCBS-Lone Journey-Sketch
WMCA-Elton Britt, Songs
WQXR-Operetta Highlights
2:40-WNBC-Betty Crocker, Talk
2:45-WNBC-Light of the World-Sketch
WCBS-Rose of My Dreams
WQXR-Music Memory Game
3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful
WOR-Martha Deane Program
WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
WCBS-Surprise Party
WMCA-News; Band Parade
WQXR-News; Recent Releases
3:15-WNBC-Ma Perkins-Sketch
3:30-WNBC-Pepper Young
WOR-Rambling With Gambling
WJZ-Pat Barnes Talk
WCBS-Winner Take All
3:45-WNBC-Right to Happiness
WJZ-George Barnes Talk
4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife
WOR-Ask Dr. Eddy
WJZ-Tommy Bartlett Show
WCBS-House Party
WMCA-News; Mr. and Mrs. Music
WQXR-News; Symphonic Matinee
4:15-WNBC-Stella Dallas
4:30-WNBC-Lorenzo Jones-Sketch
WOR-Uncle Don
WJZ-Cliff Edwards, Songs
WCBS-That's Life, J. C. Flippen
4:45-WNBC-Young Widder Brown
WOR-Buck Rogers-Sketch
WJZ-Dick Tracy-Sketch
5:00-WNBC-When a Girl Marries
WOR-Hop Harrigan-Sketch
WJZ-Terry and the Pirates
WCBS-School of the Air
WMCA-News; Mr. and Mrs. Music
WQXR-News; Today in Music
5:15-WNBC-Portia Faces Life
WOR-Superman
WJZ-Sky King-Sketch
WQXR-Latin-American Rhythms
5:30-WNBC-Just Plain Bill
WOR-Captain Midnight-Sketch
WJZ-Jack Armstrong-Sketch
WCBS-Boquet for You
WMCA-Musicaland
WQXR-Cocktail Time
5:45-WNBC-Front Page Farrell
WOR-Tom Mix-Sketch
WJZ-Tennessee Jed-Sketch
WMCA-Listen to a Story

EVENING

6:00-WNBC-Kenneth Banghart, News
WOR-George C. Putnam, News
WJZ-News; Kierman's Corner
WCBS-News; Harry Marble
WMCA-News; Music
WQXR-News; Music to Remember
6:15-WNBC-Serenade to America
WOR-Bob Elson, Interviews
WJZ-Ethel and Albert
WCBS-You and Alcohol-Talk
6:25-WQXR-Here, There in New York
6:30-WOR-News-Fred Van deventer
WJZ-Allen Prescott-Talk

WCBS-Sports-Red Barber
WMCA-Racing Results
WQXR-Dinner Concert
6:40-WNBC-Sports-Pack Costello
6:45-WNBC-Lowell Thomas, News
WOR-Sports-Stan Lomax
WJZ-Lawrence and Marley
WCBS-Robert Trout, News
WMCA-Sports Resume
7:00-WNBC-Supper Club Variety
WOR-Fulton Lewis Jr., Comments
WJZ-Headline Edition
WCBS-Mystery of the Week
WQXR-News; Music
7:15-WNBC-News of the World
WOR-The Answer Man
WJZ-Elmer Smith Show
WCBS-Jack Smith Show
WMCA-The Stars Come Back
7:30-WNBC-Hollywood Theatre
WOR-Arthur Hale
WJZ-Boston Black-Play
WCBS-American Melody Hour
WMCA-J. Raymond Walsh
WQXR-Record Rarities
7:45-WOR-Sports-Bill Brandt
WMCA-Fashions in Melody
8:00-WNBC-Rudy Vallee Show
WOR-Michael Shayne-Sketch
WJZ-Lum 'n' Abner
WCBS-Big Town-Sketch

WMCA-News; Music
WQXR-News; Symphony Hall
8:15-WJZ-John Paris, Songs
8:30-WNBC-A Date With Judy-Comedy
WOR-The Falcon-Sketch
WJZ-The O'Neills-Play
WCBS-Mel Blanc Show
WMCA-Music That Lives
8:55-WCBS-Bill Henry, News
9:00-WNBC-Amos 'n' Andy
WOR-George C. Putnam
WJZ-Maupin Orchestra
WCBS-Vox Pop Show
WMCA-News; Recorded Music
WQXR-News; Concert Hall
9:15-WOR-Real Stories
9:30-WNBC-Fred Waring Orchestra
WOR-Sound Off-Mark Warnow
WJZ-To Be Announced
WCBS-Arthur Godfrey Show
WQXR-Arturo Toscanini Conducts
10:00-WNBC-Bob Hope Show
WOR-Hampton Orchestra
WCBS-Moments Make The Year
WMCA-News; Footlight Revue
WQXR-News; Recorded Album
10:15-WOR-Upton Close
10:30-WNBC-Red Skelton Show
WOR-The Symphonette
WJZ-Bob Elson, Interviews
WMCA-News; Music
WQXR-Just Music
10:45-WJZ-Sugar Bowl Pre-Game Dinner
11:00-WNBC, WOR-News; Music
WJZ, WCBS-News; Music
WMCA-News; Talk; Music
WQXR-News; Music
11:30-WCBS-Dance Party
12:00-WNBC-Times Square Celebration;
Dance Music (To 4 a.m.)

WOR-Times Square Celebration;
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WJZ-News; Music
WQXR-News; New Year's Eve Music
STATION WNYC
MORNING
6:55-News Summary and Sign-on
7:00-Sunrise Symphony, "Symphony No. 7 in C Major" by Sibelius
7:55-News Summary
8:00-Official U.S. Weather Report; "From the Music Album" (RX)
8:15-U.S. Employment Service "Help Want, Ad Column of the Air"
8:25-City Consumer's Guide, Mrs. Francis Foley Gannon, Markets Department
8:30-From the Music Album, (RX)
8:45-"Around New York Today," The Day's Music and Art Highlights.
8:55-News Summary
9:00-Masterwork Hour, New Year's Eve Program, "New Year's Eve in New York" by Janssen
9:55-News Summary
10:00-"City Fun With Children," Becky Reyher
10:15-Musical Comedy Memories
10:45-Health Dept. Nutrition, News with Margaret Connor
10:55-News Summary
11:00-Organ Odes, Robert L. Bedell, From the Sculpture Court of Bklyn. Museum
11:30-BBC Radio Newsreel
11:45-"Questions You Ask Your Dentist," Dr. Milton Wechsler of the Oral Hygiene Committee of Greater New York
11:55-News Summary

12:00-Midday Symphony, "Concerto Grosso in D Minor" by Vivaldi-Bilotti
12:55-News Summary
1:00-Missing Persons Alarm; Official U.S. Weather Report
1:15-Jazz Classics
1:55-News Summary
2:00-Symphonic Matinee, "Symphony No. 3 in A Minor" by Rachmaninoff
3:55-News Summary
4:00-Four Strings at Four, "Quartet Opus 18, No. 1" by Beethoven
4:55-News Summary
5:00-Xmas Drama Festival, "Pinnocchio"
5:30-Songs at Eventide, Herma Carola, Soprano
5:45-Christmas Program, "Better Relations in a Good World" NYC School Children
5:55-News Summary
EVENING
6:00-Janine Casiez, Folksongs of Franco
6:15-Style in Jazz with All Anderson
6:45-Official U.S. Weather Report; USES "Help Wanted Ad Column of the Air"
6:55-News Summary
7:00-Masterwork Hour, New Year's Eve Program, "New Year's Eve in New York" by Janssen
7:55-News Summary
8:00-Musical Caravan with EVE
8:30-Spotlight Varieties
8:55-News Summary
9:00-Music for the Connoisseur with David Randolph
9:55-News Summary
10:00-FM ONLY, The City Hour, Music and Public Service Announcements
10:55-FM ONLY, Final News Summary and Sign-off

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In this corner

Those Foolish Fables

About the Rock

By Bill Mardo

HOW BRAVE are the deadline warriors. From the sanctuary of a typewriter the gentlemen of the copy paper profession can be as bold and snidely cynical as they choose. Such was the obnoxious spectacle last Christmas Day no less, when many of the more "authoritative" boxing scribes penned sickening and unfair allegations about Rocky Graziano. The day before, Rocky had hurt his back in training and cancelled his fight with Ruben Shank. Gymnasium and training camp injuries aren't a novelty and the story should have been treated as just one of those things. But no, the boys needed hot copy it seems, and the angle they came up with is typical of the wise-alecky and unthinking attitude the Big Press has toward people generally.

Most surprising, however, was the untypical job the usually sensitive Jimmy Cannon did on The Rock. The Post's poet laureate of the sports pages led the pack with hints that Rocky has turned yellow since he tasted the knock-out thunder in Tony Zale's mitts . . . he could have beaten the ten-count only he wanted no more of Zale's body blows . . . the East Sider is now so wary of punishment that he even feared the third-rate Ruben Shank . . . ad nauseum.

Cannon's piece was picked up by most other ring writers, and it wasn't until yesterday that Bill Helax of the New York Sun took sharp difference with his colleagues. " . . . too much pseudo-psychanalysis has been applied publicly to the case of Graziano by too many amateur psychiatrists without any real grist to grind in their mental mills." Which is a neat way to put it.

It escapes us how any writer who's watched Graziano grow as a fighter could callously question his fighting heart . . . or his guts in the face of furious punishment. Surely the bout which served as Rocky's spring-board to fame was a classic case in point. That was the Billy Arnold affair, with Rocky reeling around the ring, absorbing a brutal beating for three rounds but refusing to fold until finally, from the glassiness of imminent defeat he brought up a right-hander to the point of Arnold's jaw, knocked him clean through the ropes and tigerishly finished him off when Billy climbed back into the ring.

Red Cochrane will never be remembered as a fighter of note, but it's a fact that he gave Graziano a painful boxing lesson until the thumper nailed him in the tenth round. A man who dislikes punishment is also a man who loses heart when he's rapidly getting nowhere, and it must be admitted, that Rocky was getting nowhere fast in that first bout with Cochrane but he kept coming in, plugging for his one shot to turn the tide.

But if ever a man showed fighting heart and stubborn ruggedness under fire, it was Rocky the night he fought Zale for the title. It goes without saying that Zale was a bit of allright that evening, too. The Rock was floored in the first round, he picked himself up and came back fightin' mad. He belted Zale all over the ring, floored him in the third, took a fearful beating himself as the two men slugged away in a wild bout of plain legalized murder, and had Tony on the way out until the ax-miner threw one from instinct in the sixth stanza—a short right-hander that landed flush into the solar plexus. The breath was sucked out of Rocky's body as he went down completely paralyzed for ten seconds before the wind came back into his battered body.

This, then, is the man who is supposed to be yellow, afraid of a soft-tapping Ruben Shank . . . and contemplating pulling out of his return with Zale.

How damn silly! But one good thing is flowing out of this absurd nonsense. Rocky Graziano is learning something about the dependability of those who hailed him to the skies during his kayo rampages of last year . . . and who now insist he has a fish-bone where his spine ought to be. Live and learn, Rocky . . . and keep punching, kid.

LAST ENTRY LIKES RAY

(This is the last entry in the "Outstanding Sports Event of '46" contest to get in under the deadline. The judges will consider the entries and the five prize winners will be announced next Monday.)

It took me quite a while to decide which was outstanding sports event of the year, but on Friday night, Dec. 20, when Harry Balough announced, "the winner is Robinson," I think I found the answer. I knew that my choice would have to be connected with some anti-Jimcrow event, be it Jackie Robinson's part in helping loosen Jimcrow's hold on organized baseball, or the breaking of a long tradition in pro-football with the entering of Kenny Washington and Woody Strode into the national loop and the entrance of Marion Motley and Jim Willis into the A. A. C.

The reason why I choose "Sugar" Ray Robinson's fight with Tommy Bell as the outstanding event of the year, is

that that event was the only fitting climax to Ray's brilliant career. Listening to that fight, I had nothing against Bell, but I rooted for Ray because it would have been ironic had Robinson lost. We all know the shameful story about the run-around Sugar Ray received, Ray being called the greatest fighter, pound for pound, of the day. The time finally came when the managers and promoters couldn't avoid giving Ray a shot at the title and when that chance finally did come, Ray did not miff it. Ray won like a real champ. He was below par that night, but he got up off the deck and came back to give Tommy Bell a good beating. Ray has truly won the title, beating the best welter, outside himself, in the country. And so Ray Robinson has struck another body blow at Jimcrow.

In hopes,
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ROCKY GRAZIANO

Shelton 'Explains,' Is Rapped by Scribes

By Lester Rodney

In an amazing performance before the New York basketball writers and many local and visiting coaches yesterday, Wyoming coach Everett Shelton refused to apologize for his anti-Semitic and anti-Negro outburst of Saturday night and practically blamed the whole thing on the writers. He was

CCNY Seethes

Though there is curtailed attendance until after the New Year's holiday, the City College campus yesterday was buzzing with angry comment on the anti-Semite and anti-Negro outburst of Wyoming coach Shelton in Saturday night's game. A leaflet distributed by the Tom Paine Club of the American Youth for Democracy congratulated coach Nat Holman on his stand, called for support to the petition to oust Shelton from the National Coaches' Association and asked students to let the president of Wyoming University know how they felt about Shelton.

immediately told off in the sharpest terms by a member of the writers and by Nat Holman, CCNY coach who shut him up at the Garden Saturday night with the threat of a punch in the nose.

The luncheon meeting was a regularly scheduled session of the Metropolitan Basketball Writers Association called before Saturday night's foul outburst by Shelton during his team's 57-48 defeat at the hands of CCNY. As usual, all visiting coaches were invited to attend and say a word along with the local coaches. Shelton, who had received an invitation to attend last week, showed up with the Wyoming athletic director, Glenn Jacoby. It bears mentioning that nobody except Jacoby sat within three seats of him.

After routine speeches by visiting coaches Sam Barry of USC, Wilbur Jones of UCLA and several others, the chairman asked if the Wyoming representatives had anything to say about Saturday night's episode. Jacoby got up first, said he "didn't know anything about it" as he was sitting across the way at the scorers' table, then went on amiably to say that he enjoyed being here, that he thought inter-sectional games were splendid things and he once went to Columbia and saw CCNY play in 1935. With this contribution to democratic thought and spirit he sat down and Shelton got up amid dead silence.

"I'm very happy to be back," he said sonorously, "I think CCNY has a better team than they had the

last time I was here." He paused and screwed up his lips. "I'm very sorry the remark I made caused any hard feeling. It was a descriptive remark. When we play against Indians we call them Indians and so on. I think this is a matter CCNY and Wyoming can straighten out between themselves. I don't believe in fighting battles through the newspapers."

He said nothing about his references to "lousy Jews," his derogatory remarks directed at CCNY's two Negro players, or his re-emphasis of his insults after the game. He wasn't sorry for anything he said—he was just sorry that what he said "caused hard feelings." And he thought the newspapers shouldn't have reported his vile actions, which took place before 18,000 people.

Speaking the sentiments of the New York writers, Milton Gross of the Post said angrily that the matter could not be passed over so lightly by Shelton after a war in which Americans of all religions had been killed fighting intolerance. He asked if after Mort Lazar, former NYU star, and Si Lobello, former LIU star, whether anyone said "A Jew was killed, or a Catholic was killed." He said Shelton had forfeited his place on the sports scene in New York and that as long as Wyoming retains him as coach the Wyoming team must not be permitted to play in New York. Gross, a veteran, concluded with, "If it were possible for the boys buried under the Stars of David to speak, they'd have plenty to say about this."

Holman, speaking briefly, repeated that Shelton's actions Saturday night were the "most disgusting" he had ever seen or heard in all his years of coaching or playing. "There is no place for any kind of prejudice in our sports," he said. He has been asked to report to the school authorities Thursday. Though he mentioned that he supposed "to err was human, to forgive divine," he gave no indication of withdrawing his announced resolution never to play a Shelton-coached team again. "I haven't seen my boys yet," he added. "But there is lots of feeling up at the school on this matter. . . . Coming from a coach, this sort of thing is a most serious matter."

Holman left without a word to Shelton, who had apparently expected a "let's forget about it" handshake.

Kaplan Asks Wyoming Ban

Newly elected State Assemblyman Samuel Kaplan (ALP) of Brooklyn last night wired Madison Square Garden promoter Ned Irish asking that Wyoming U. teams be barred from future competition until Coach Shelton is fired. A former professional basketball star and a World War II veteran, Kaplan also wired congratulations to CCNY Nat Holman and St. Johns coach Joe Lapchick for their firm stand against the intolerant Wyoming coach.

The 'Daily' Roundup

UCLAN Hopes Rest On Ex-Bombardier

Everybody's talking about Ernie Case. He's the "pitching papa" upon whose shoulders falls the tough task of finding the holes in the Illinois defense come tomorrow at the Rose Bowl and calling the plays which will send the UCLans bombing into those opportunities.

But Ernie's an old Air Force bombardier anyway, and many say he'll be the biggest reason to hope for a continuation of UCLA's unbeaten and untied season. . . in the daddy of all post-season contests.

Case is 5-10 and 168 pounds of gridiron dynamite. For this 26-year old ex-bombardier and wearer of the Purple Heart, the strong Illini line holds no special terror. He's a steady 60-minute player who when he's hot, is a whiz of a passer. UCLA mentor Bert LaBruce has so much confidence in Case's generalship that he permits him to do practically all of the play-calling with little advice from the bench.

Yes, he's come a long way, has Ernie Case, who before the war wondered whether he'd ever be good enough to make the UCLA varsity.

JOHNNY WOODRUFF, long-striding Negro runner and 880-meter champ, returns to competition Jan. 11 in the half-mile event at the Knights of Columbus meet in Brooklyn. Woodruff has been in retirement several years, and now works for the Department of Social Welfare. This will be the last season on the boards for the great Woodruff, who'll run for the Pioneer Club. . . .

JOE LOUIS will meet an old

friend of his while on tour of South America. The champ has signed to box Arturo Godoy in an exhibition bout at Mexico City Feb. 5. Louis twice fought Godoy in title tilts in New York. He outpointed the Chilean the first time and kayoed him when they met again.

BUCKY HARRIS announced the Yankees have closed a deal with Newark whereby outfielders Allie Clark and Frank Coleman come to New York next year. . . . Clark is a fleet left-fielder who is reputed to be a good hitter . . . while Coleman once played for the Pirates. . . . There's continued talk of AL batting champ Mickey Vernon coming to the Bronx ballclub. The Senators are said to be interested in Johnny Lindell and Billy Johnson as possible trade material for giving up Vernon. . . . But it's still so much talk. . . .

THE CYO bowling league of New York is the latest to demand that the American Bowling Congress change its Jimcrow constitution. . . . The CYO is asking the ABC to vote the change at the bowling body's annual meeting at Los Angeles in April. . . . The UAW-CIO two weeks ago announced it would not enter its teams in the ABC because of the "male whites only" clause in the by-laws of the American Bowling Congress.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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UNIONS—PORTAL TO PORTAL PAY! Wage-Hour expert with know-how. Formerly with Federal Wage-Hour Division, available for consultation, portal to portal problems. Box 684.

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CHAUFFEUR, veteran, van truck, seeks work. \$3.75 hour, minimum two hours. Ed Wendel, JErome 6-8000

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BOOKS — FILMS — THE ARTS

The Only Perfect Product

By Mike Quin

And it came to pass that the Great God Hereyouare looked down upon the land of Gimme-Gimme, which he had created and over which he presided, and his face darkened as if a cloud had passed across the room.

"You are sad," said an apprentice God who had been assigned to him for training. "Is it because you are discouraged with the creatures you have created?"

Hereyouare sighed so deeply that it rippled waves on the ocean far below in the land of Gimme-Gimme. "I have been trying for 50 years to create an honest businessman," he said, "and I have failed."

"Oh, I don't know," said the apprentice God, looking over the shoulder of Hereyouare. "There seem to be a good many respectable and sober merchants and manufacturers down there. Many of them live in modest houses, are kind to their mothers, and contribute substantially to the Community Chest."

FACT REMAINS

"The fact remains," said Hereyouare, "each and every one of them advertises his products as perfect, whereas they know as well as you and I do that they are not perfect. They are filled with imperfections. They are liars, one and all. I have tried a thousand different formulas, but it is impossible to create an honest businessman."

The young apprentice God, anxious to show his merit, pondered the problem for a few minutes. "If you cannot make the businessman honest," he suggested, "why don't you make the product perfect? In that way the advertising would be true and the man would not be a liar."

Hereyouare snapped his fingers, creating static on a million radio sets down below. "You've got it," he said. "If I cannot prevent them from lying, I will make their lies the truth."

And so he went into his laboratory and labored for many days until he had created an article that was absolutely perfect and he looked upon it and saw that it was good. "In fact, it's damn good," he said, "there isn't a thing wrong with it."

The apprentice God admired the object and agreed with him and together they picked it up and dumped it into the general confusion of life in the land of Gimme-Gimme below.

It took some time, of course, before this absolutely perfect thing was absorbed into the general scheme of existence. Any number of men claimed to have invented it. There were complicated legal battles over who should have the sole right to manufacture it. One man was driven insane by the complications. Another committed suicide. Still another was murdered, and a great many others

went to jail. Ultimately, however, the rights were secured by a great industrialist who built a factory covering several thousand acres of grounds, with smokestacks that threw such clouds of soot into the sky, the Great God Hereyouare had to take off his glasses and wipe them in order to witness the progress.

BELT LINE

The industrialist hired thousands of workers to man a belt line several miles long, and at last came a day when the first of the absolutely perfect products began its journey along this belt, with men hacking and hammering and twisting and drilling and screwing and soldering every foot of the way.

A great ceremony attended the starting of the first article on the belt line. A band played the national anthem, and the great industrialist himself screwed the first screw.

As it happened, he got the screw in crooked, and the Great God Howyouare, watching from above, was fearful for a moment that the perfection would be marred. But a watchful workman, when no one seemed to be looking, took it out and screwed it in properly, and the Great God Hereyouare instructed his apprentice God to reward him by removing several charges of drunken and disorderly conduct from his record.

When the first perfect article had been satisfactorily launched on its mechanical journey, the industrialist presented each worker with a free, printed copy of an essay on thrift and punctuality, which he had written, and promptly called a meeting of his advertising staff.

"You have witnessed the birth of a new and revolutionary product," he said, "and it will require a new and revolutionary advertising policy to introduce it to the public. Observe the magazines and billboards of the country."

WILL BE DIFFERENT

"Every company advertises its product as perfect. Is it any wonder that no one believes them? Our advertising will be different. We will not claim that it is perfect. We will say that this product is not perfect and we will make no false and extravagant claim in that regard."

One of the advertising men interrupted him. "But, as a matter of fact, B. M.," he said, "there doesn't seem to be anything wrong with the product."

"That doesn't matter," said the industrialist. "No one would believe us if we said so. We shall admit it has flaws and they will be convinced we are telling the truth. It will build confidence."

High in the heavens, the Great God Hereyouare shoved his halo back on his head and sat on a cloud in disgust. "Well, split my atoms," he said. "You can't even trick one of them into being honest."

Fredric March Excels in Ruth Gordon's 'Years Ago'

By John Reiner

Ruth Gordon the actress turned playwright has written a very satisfying comedy called *Years Ago* (at the Mansfield). It is a play about her own early life in Wallaston, Mass., before the first World War.

Actually Miss Gordon has succeeded in writing a play not so much about herself as about the simple, honest people who were her parents. While the story is her own, the play is more in the nature of a dedication to her parents and more particularly a character study of her father, an honest portrait, warm and understanding.

It isn't often on Broadway you see sympathetically portrayed the struggles of a working man to support his family on \$37.50—a salary that equals the price of some bubble sold by the Fifth Ave. shops advertised in the program.

There are moving moments in *Years Ago* as when Ruth's father, Clinton Jones tells of his childhood exploited by "The psalm singing hypocrites" who brought him up until he ran away to sea, his life as ship's second mate that colors his speech and outlook on life, and his struggle for security as foreman of the shipping department of a

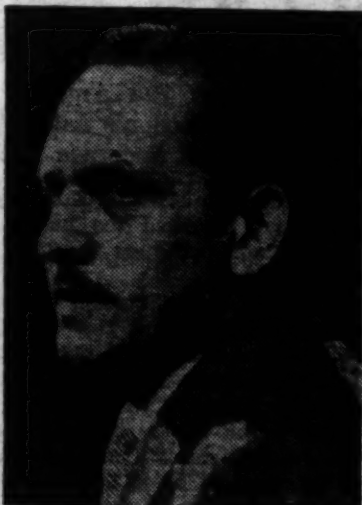
Boston fruit company that underpays him. At the same time, there is bright humor in the episodes that show the home life of the Jones family, sentimentality in those that show Ruth's love for the theatre.

The production and acting are excellent, doing full justice to the play. Garson Kanin has directed the play sensitively, with warmth and understanding. Fredric March has created a detailed characterization of Clinton Jones full of humor and temperament projected with honesty.

Florence Elridge gives a sympathetic portrayal of Annie Jones, Patricia Kirkland plays Ruth Gordon Jones as if she means it. Donald Oenslager's setting of the family home is so right you almost don't realize how imaginative it is.

Paul Draper At New Year's Eve Ball

Paul Draper will be one of the performers at the New Year's Eve Tropical Fiesta (tonight, Dec. 31) at the Central Opera House, 205 E. 67 St. at Third Ave. He will share the stage with Betty Garrett, Larry Winters, Arline Carmen and other noted entertainers. The Citizens' Committee of the Upper West Side is sponsoring the ball. Tickets at Music Room, Bookfair, Skazka, Workers and Jefferson Bookshop.



FREDRIC MARCH

Blues Entertainers At 'Unity' Ball

Milton "Mezz" Mezzrow, author of *Really the Blues*, who first learned to play the sax and feel the blues in a Jim Crow lonely jail, will head the list of entertainers and celebrities at the Camp Unity - Carver School "Frolic For Knowledge" at the Golden Gate Ballroom, 142 St. and Lenox Ave., Saturday, Jan. 11. Sponsors, guests and entertainers include Sammy Price, Duke of Iron, Canada Lee, Councilman Ben Davis, Dr. Max Yergan, Kenneth Spencer, Anne Lewis, Laura Duncan, Josephine Premice, Al Moss and many others.

This dance celebrates Camp Unity's 20th Anniversary and Carver School's 3rd Anniversary.

"The most rewarding theatre event of the season." —Daily Worker.
"A brilliant, distinguished work of enormous power and impact." —Watts Post

LILLIAN HELLMAN'S NEW PLAY

"NOTHER PART OF THE FOREST"
FULTON Thea. 40th St. W. of B'way. Cl. 6-6300
Evgs. 8:40. Matinees WED. & SAT. 2:40



An interesting closeup from the heralded French Resistance film "Battle of the Rails" which Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer will soon release here with English titles. The story concerns the French Underground's attempt to stop a German train from reaching the Normandy front.

BRIEFS

James Gow, co-author with Arnaud D'Usseau of the successful Broadway production, *Deep Are the Roots*; Kenneth Spencer, Stella Adler, Gwendolyn Bennett, Philip Evergood and Albert E. Kahn are among the celebrities who will make an appearance at the New Masses New Year's Eve Ball at Webster Hall. They will act as judges in an exciting dance contest in which young and old alike will be able to compete for prizes and have lots of fun to boot.

GALA NEW YEAR'S PROGRAM

MIDNIGHT SHOW
TONIGHT

EXTRA! Co-Feature

"RUSSIA ON PARADE"

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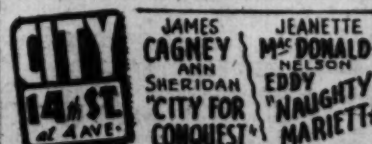
20th Century-Fox presents
Tyronne Power - Gene Tierney - John Payne
Anne Baxter - Clifton Webb - Herbert Marshall
Darryl F. Zanuck's production of
W. Somerset Maugham's

"The Razor's Edge"

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45th "OUTSTANDING" —TIMES
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"A FILM CLASSIC!" —P.M.
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New 10c Fare Drive Looms in Tax Plan

By Harry Raymond

Comptroller Lazarus Joseph's forecast of a 20 to 30-point boost in the real estate tax rate to balance the 1947-1948 expense budget brought threats yesterday of a new high-pressure drive to increase subway fare to 10 cents.

Paul Windels, chairman of the Citizens Transit Committee, was reported lining up the major real estate interests and savings banks for a "show-down" lobbying campaign to scrap the nickel fare. The campaign is scheduled to get into full swing at the time of the opening of the state legislature.

Other groups backing the Windels fare-boost plan are the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce, the Citizens Budget Commission, and the Taxpayers Union, reactionary real estate lobby.

The new 10-cent fare drive is geared to be launched in coordination with an attack on Joseph's estimate of an \$800,000,000 budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

This estimate, which is \$90,000,000 higher than the current budget and includes pay rises for transit workers, nurses, teachers and other city employees, will, according to Joseph, necessitate a real estate tax higher than the present \$2.70 for each \$100 of assessed valuation. Joseph predicted a \$2.90 rate of a \$3 rate if there is no increase in state aid to the city.

For more than a month the powerful and wealthy real estate groups have been pressing the O'Dwyer administration to take action for a higher subway fare. The Mayor has long been known to favor a fare increase. But he would prefer the question be placed before the voters in a referendum to take the onus off the Democratic Party.

The Comptroller's statement on the proposed real estate tax increase was seen by spokesmen of leading landlord interests as a rallying point for lower taxes and extension of the 10-cent fare agitation.

One of their plans is for a quick coup in the State Legislature—adoption of a bill setting up a transit authority with power to boost the fare.

It is a foregone conclusion that 1947 will see the strongest real estate-savings bank lobby ever to appear in Albany. Comptroller Joseph will be there, too, representing the city. But he has not revealed how much state aid he will ask for his increasing budget commitments. He said he will ask the state to assume the \$15,000,000 annual cost of the four city colleges. But he has declined to announce any further plans. And he has maintained silence on the subway fare issue.

INSURANCE FIRMS FINED \$2 MILLIONS IN BRIBE CASE

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 30.—The Missouri Supreme Court today ordered 122 of America's largest stock fire insurance companies be fined a total of \$2,090,000 for attempting to get a "fraudulent settlement" of a rate case involving bribery of the late Tom Pendergast, Kansas City machine leader.

In 1939 both Pendergast and R. E. O'Malley were sent to prison for failure to pay income taxes on the money received in the bribe case. Pendergast received \$315,000 from the late Charles Street who acted as spokesman for the group of insurance companies, and he bribed O'Malley with \$62,500 to pass on higher premiums for the companies.

Largest fine was that levied against the Home Insurance Co.,



In Plane Crash: Lying in the wreckage of the American Airlines plane which crashed near Michigan City, Ind., Homer Kerns of Forest Hills tells his story to reporter. The pilot and co-pilot were killed and 19 injured when the airliner crashed. Pilot Frank Hamlin died to save lives of the passengers.

Legion's Rent Stand Hit By N.Y. County Group

The New York County Committee of the American Legion has strongly protested to the organization's national leadership for boosting the 10 percent rent increase proposals, it was learned yesterday.

The committee's action came as a result of pressure from local posts, which have passed resolutions condemning the national body's stand. The New York group represents more than 42,000 members.

The County Committee's action became public in a release by the Legion's Duncan-Paris post, which has been conducting a battle against the scuttling of the Veterans Emergency housing program.

The release stated the resolution, introduced by the Chelsea Post and

addressed to the National Executive Committee, protested the national organization's policy on the lifting of rent controls.

Four other posts introduced rent control resolutions at the County Committee meeting. The posts are: Captain Belvidere Brooks; S. Rankin-Drew; Gen. Duffy and Midtown.

This action of the N.Y. County organization marks one of the largest protests by a Legion body against a National Executive Committee's stand.

It indicates a growing dissatisfaction with the Legion on Housing policies, which real estate interests have helped in shaping.

City CIO to Nominate Officers Jan. 9

The Greater New York CIO Council will hold nomination for officers Jan. 9, at 8 p.m., when it holds its regular meeting at Fraternal Clubhouses.

The notice of nominations sent to all unions by secretary-treasurer Saul Mills, states the posts to be filled are those of president and secretary-treasurer; seven vice-presidents and members of the executive board representing each of the affiliates.

Election is set for February 6.

Win Wage Increase

A \$6.50 general weekly increase and a two-hour reduction in hours was won by workers at the Lawyers Title Corp., the Financial Guild, local 96, of the CIO United Office and Professional Workers announced.



by BARNARD RUBIN

NOTHING WILL STOP the elevator men from going out on strike in February if they don't get sizable increases. Many of them are getting only \$30.91 a week. After withholding and other taxes are deducted, the boys simply don't get enough to eat for themselves and their families—and they are desperate.

MIDTOWN CHATTER

Fred Allen grumbling about Frank Sinatra's failure to show up for a guest-appearance rehearsal for Allen's Sunday show.

Jim Pollack, former movie man, after a long stretch in the army, returned to write a novel, *The Golden Egg*, satirizing Hollywood producers. As a result, Pollack has been threatened with a Hollywood boycott.

President Truman has given Paul Hartman "unofficial" approval to use him as a character in the musical comedy which Hartman has written about the current Washington scene.

Able's Irish Rose, the racial-prejudice-inciting movie at the Gotham—the theatre provided by Harry Brandt. Brandt is a leading backer of Dubinsky's so-called Liberal Party.

Milton Berle helping to direct Benny Baker and Maxie Rosenblum in a revival of *The Gorilla*.

Louis Prima, who never touches the stuff, gave scotch this year as Christmas presents.

Earl Wilson has taken on Blair Chotzinoff as his new assistant.

Pat Neal, who is receiving critical acclaim in Lillian Hellman's "Another Part of the Forest," was practically hijacked for the role from her job as understudy in *Voice of the Turtle*. Hellman and Herman Bloomgarten after hearing her read the Forest role successfully pulled every string they knew to get her out of her first job into their show.

A recent issue of a radio fan magazine published an interview with a radio couple known for their anti-Semitic utterances. The interview mentioned that one of the couple's favorite hobbies is reading in bed. One wag, on reading the interview, asked: What do they read—The Protocols of Zion?

Ingrid Bergman, last Saturday, was quite ill. She showed up for her role in *Jean of Lorraine* with bleary eyes, a temperature and a running nose. Her laryngitis prevented her from raising her voice above a whisper. So intense, however, was her performance that her audience remained enthralled throughout the entire evening.

Another million-dollar fur firm is headed for bankruptcy—within a few days.

NEWSPAPER TALK

Printers Ink putting out a new magazine called *Agenda* slanted for the women's clubs. Tentative publishing date, April 15.

MORE ON THE PHILADELPHIA RECORD PICKET LINE

At the beginning of the strike, publisher J. David Stern boasted his rag could get along without the Guild boys. Fat editions, chock-full of ads, came off the presses. Subscription list, it was claimed, was holding up.

FACTS: many of the ads were run free, simply reprinted. Returns were piled sky-high, and counted as sold. Ex-subscribers, who had gone in for a mass cancellation drive, are still receiving the papers—this to keep up appearances with A. B. C. (Audit Bureau of Circulation). Only news handled is the wire services and state stuff filched from other papers' early editions.

Many of the newsstand owners are cooperating with the strikers and stuffing Guild handbills into each copy of Stern's *Record* they are forced to sell. Others turn their backs while the pickets do the stuffing.

Which "critic" on one of the morning tabloids was paid \$1,000 a review by a producer for favorable reviews of two of his shows? Sweat that one out, boys.

Cold Envelops Most of Nation

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A cold wave which sent temperatures skidding to 14 degrees below zero in the central midwest, spread over most of the nation last night.

Sweeping in from the Western Canadian plains, the cold wave caused sub-zero temperatures as low as 30 degrees in northern Minnesota and sub-freezing weather almost to the Mexican border.

The U.S. weather forecaster at Chicago said the cold front had enveloped the Eastern States, where temperatures were falling steadily, and that its "leading edge" had moved into northern Florida. He pointed out, however, that temperatures at Miami still were in the high 70's and the low 80's.

Feed Co. Strike Won

PETALUMA, Calif., Dec. 30 (FP).—The CIO United Office Workers won a one-day strike against Poultry Producers, largest feed plant in central California. The union obtained the closed shop and its wage demand of \$10 weekly increase will be arbitrated.

Brooklyn Sub-Getters Climb to Goals

Following are standings of sections of the Kings County Communist Party in The Worker's circulation drive:

SECTION	Percent of Quota Achieved
24th A. D.	83.8
6th A. D.	55
Williamsburgh	52
Boro Park	51
Flatbush	49
Kings Highway	47.7
Waterfront	46.7
Brownsville	46
Brighton	43.9
Boro Hall	40.5
Eastern Parkway	30
Coney Island	29.8
Crown Heights	29.7
East New York	28
12th A. D.	23
Fort Greene	23
Bedford Stuyvesant	16.4
Bath Beach-Bensonhurst	6
Industrial	3.6
Plus the Gift Subs.	